METHOD FOR MEASURING LOAD BETWEEN MCDN DEVICES FOR USE IN DETERMINING PATH WITH OPTIMAL THROUGHPUT

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a packet communication system having a plurality of independently

5 operating nodes which have limited available communication time and which are capable of monitoring busy time and idle time in cyclical epochs, a method is provided for measuring and computing a load on the communication time of the local node in communication with a plurality of other nodes wherein the period of load measurement is synchronized to the communication epoch and the load attributed by the local node is subtracted to assure that the

10 measurement is accurate.

FIG. 2

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